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The IWC has received the following information on the bowhead whale catch by Canada in 2014. The 2014 quota set by Canada was 5 bowhead whales for the eastern Canada – west Greenland bowhead population.

Results from the 3 bowhead hunts that were undertaken last year:

Year	Community	Date	Struck	Landed	Sex	Length (m)	Comment
2014	Chesterfield Inlet Nunavut	0	0	0	0	0	Poor weather prevented the hunt from taking place.
2014	Clyde River, Nunavut	3-Aug-14	1	1	F	16.15	The whale was taken at approximately 70.5170° N, 68.2800° W. Some biological information and samples were collected.
2014	Kugaaruk, Nunavut	31-Aug-14	1	1	M	9.75	The whale was taken at approximately 68.9041° N 89.8560° W. No biological samples were collected.

The Samples are analysed by DFO staff in their Winnipeg regional office.

The quota for 2015 is 7 bowhead for the eastern Canada – west Greenland bowhead population.